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SUBJ: PRG ISSUE-WMO AND LAW OF WAR CONFERENCE

REF: STATE 41918, 41439; BOGOTA 909, 1159

1. IN COURSE OF MARCH 6 DISCUSSION WITH UNDER SECRETARY FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGRANIZATIONS AND CONFERENCES, JOAQUIN FONSECA, EMBASSY OFFICER RAISED QUESTION OF PRG ISSUE AT LAW OF WAR CONFERENCE AND AT WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION CONFERENCE.

2. IN DISCUSSING COLOMBIAN ABSTENTION AT ICRC LAW OF WAR CONFERENCE, FONSECA STATED THAT, IN CONTRAST TO KOREA WHERE COLOMBIA HAD BEEN A TROOP CONTRIBUTOR TO THE UN ACTION, THE GOC HAD NO DIRECT INTERESTES IN VIETNAM AND DID NOT, THEREFORE, FEEL IT NECESSARY TO TAKE A STAND ON ISSUES SUCH AS THAT RAISED BY THE VOTING AT GENEVA.

3. WHILE NOT GIVING A DEFINITIVE REPLY TO A QUESTION ON THE WMO POSTAL BALLOT, FONSECA INDICATED THA THE GOC WOULD VOTE AGAINST PRG OBSERVER STATUS. HE SAID THAT, IN THE CASE OF SUCH UN TECHNICAL AGENCIES, THE GOC FELT THAT REPRESENTATION ISSUES SHOULD BE DECIDED IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THAT MEETINGS OF

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THE VARIOUS AGENCIES SHOULD NOT BE SIDETRACKED INTO DEBATES

ON POLITICAL QUESTIONS.

4. IN VIEW OF FONSEC'S PREVIOUS STATEMENTS ON THE INADVISABILITY
OF ACCORDING GOVERNMENTAL STATUS TO GROUPS LACKING THE ATTRIBUTES
THE GOVERNMENT, IT APPEARS THAT HE WAS , ON THE ICRC MATTER,
OVERRULED BY HIS SUPERIORS IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY.
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